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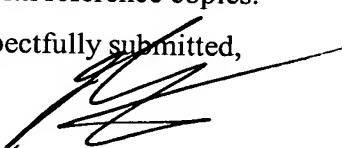
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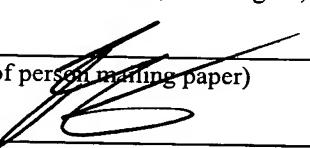
  
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Dates, Etc.)

AR	Derwent Abstract SU 809 405 dated March 3, 1981
AS	Patent Abstracts of Japan Publication No. 01039230 dated February 9, 1989
AT	Derwent Abstract JP 05 022856 dated January 29, 1993 and Patent Abstract of Japan Publication No. 05 022856 dated January 29, 1993
AU	Patent Abstracts of Japan Publication No. 01126132 dated may 18, 1989

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